

In Recognition of the 4th Annual Get Ready 'Ewa Beach Emergency Preparedness Fair

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa Emergency Preparedness Committee ('Ewa EPC) is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which leads the Leeward side in joining the nationwide effort in recognizing September as National Preparedness Month each year to raise public awareness about the importance of preparing for all types of disasters; and

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa EPC encourages citizens to prepare emergency plans of action for their homes, businesses, schools, neighborhoods and communities for natural disasters or emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa EPC helps educate Hawai'i's citizens on our state's vulnerability to natural disasters such as hurricanes, floods, earthquakes and tsunamis; and

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa EPC raises awareness about the fact that citizens of Hawai'i remain largely unprepared for disasters and other life-threatening emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa EPC encourages individuals and families to recognize the advantages of preparing for emergencies and disasters ahead of time—including getting an emergency preparedness kit, making a plan and being informed—to better respond to, recover from, and mitigate the physical, emotional and financial impacts of a disaster or other emergency; and

WHEREAS, the 'Ewa EPC joins the Hawai'i State Civil Defense, Honolulu Department of Emergency Management, and the Hawai'i Red Cross in building public confidence in emergency preparedness and helping individuals find peace of mind in times of natural disasters;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 2014 as

"EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in commending the 'Ewa Emergency Preparedness Committee for raising awareness about the importance of being prepared for natural disasters and emergencies.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this third day of September, 2014.

NEW ABERCROMBIE
Governor. State of Hawai'i

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i